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Enclosed are:

- [X] Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (35 pages).
- [X] Formal drawings (8 sheets, Figures 1-8).
- [X] Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pages).
- [X] Assignment of the invention to NISSAN MOTOR CO., LTD.
- [X] Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement.
- [X] Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of 3 listed reference(s).

☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

☒ Claim for Convention Priority with 1 certified Japanese priority document.

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